

ONE-PUNCHMAN

STORY BY
ONE
ART BY
YUSUKE
MURATA



PUNCH 172: SPECIAL SOMETHING

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I'M GOING
TO MEET
SOMEONE...

...AND
THERE
MAY BE
FIGHTING
INVOLVED.



City R



WE'RE
PLANNING
A MAJOR
PUSH FOR
THESE
GUYS.



I EVEN
HAD THEM
TAKE THE
HERO TEST
TO GET
POPULAR
LIKE YOU.

THEY'RE
GONNA
BE HOT.



Ikemen Castle
Major production
company





STOP
TALKING
TO ME.

THEY
HAVE
ZERO
APPEAL.

I CAN'T
ABIDE
IMITATORS.



AMAI, ARE
YOU EVEN
LISTENING?

YOU'RE
OUR TOP
IDOL, BUT
THEY MIGHT
SURPASS
YOU!



Two
days
ago

Gate 9
security
camera
footage



classA-39



THE BALD CAPE HAGEMANT









...AND
I CAN
HANDLE
MYSELF
IN A
FIGHT.

CALM
DOWN,
CHEERION!

I LOOK
GREAT
AND I CAN
SING AND
DANCE
WITH THE
BEST...



BUT
FACES
ARE OFF-
LIMITS AS
TOOLS
OF THE
TRADE.

WANNA
FIGHT?



YEAH!
THE TWO
OF US TOOK
THE HERO
TEST!

CLASS C?
CLASS A?
WHAT'S THE
DIFFER-
ENCE?!







...RIGHT
HERE IN
FRONT
OF YOUR
EYES?

WHAT IF I
BECAME
A MON-
STER...



SO
TAKE THE
BITANSAN
BOYS
SERIOUSLY!

SEVEN
AGAINST
ONE!

WE'D
KICK
YOUR
BUTT!





...BECAUSE
I'M ON A
COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT
LEVEL.

IT'S A FEAR
RESPONSE...

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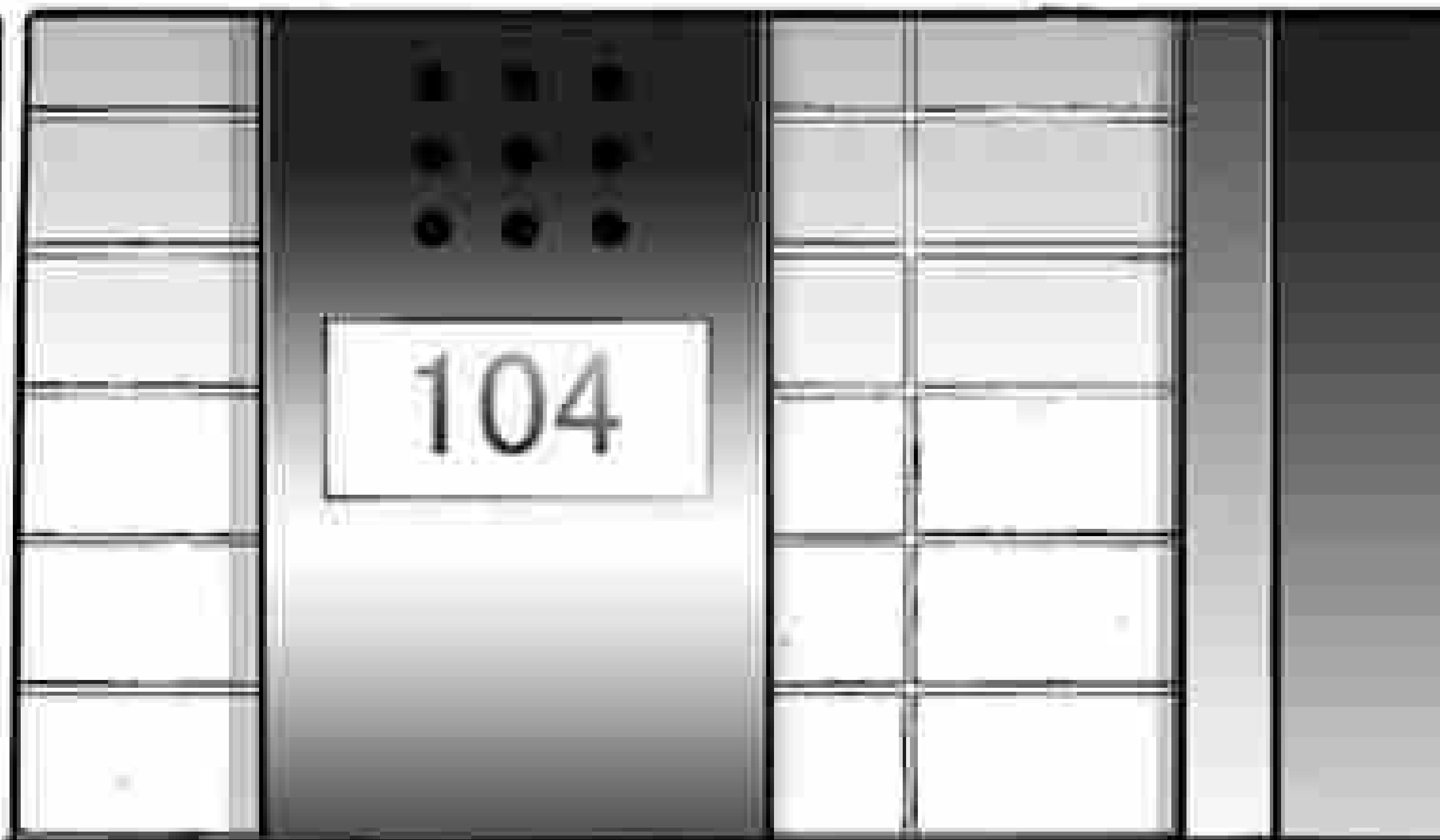
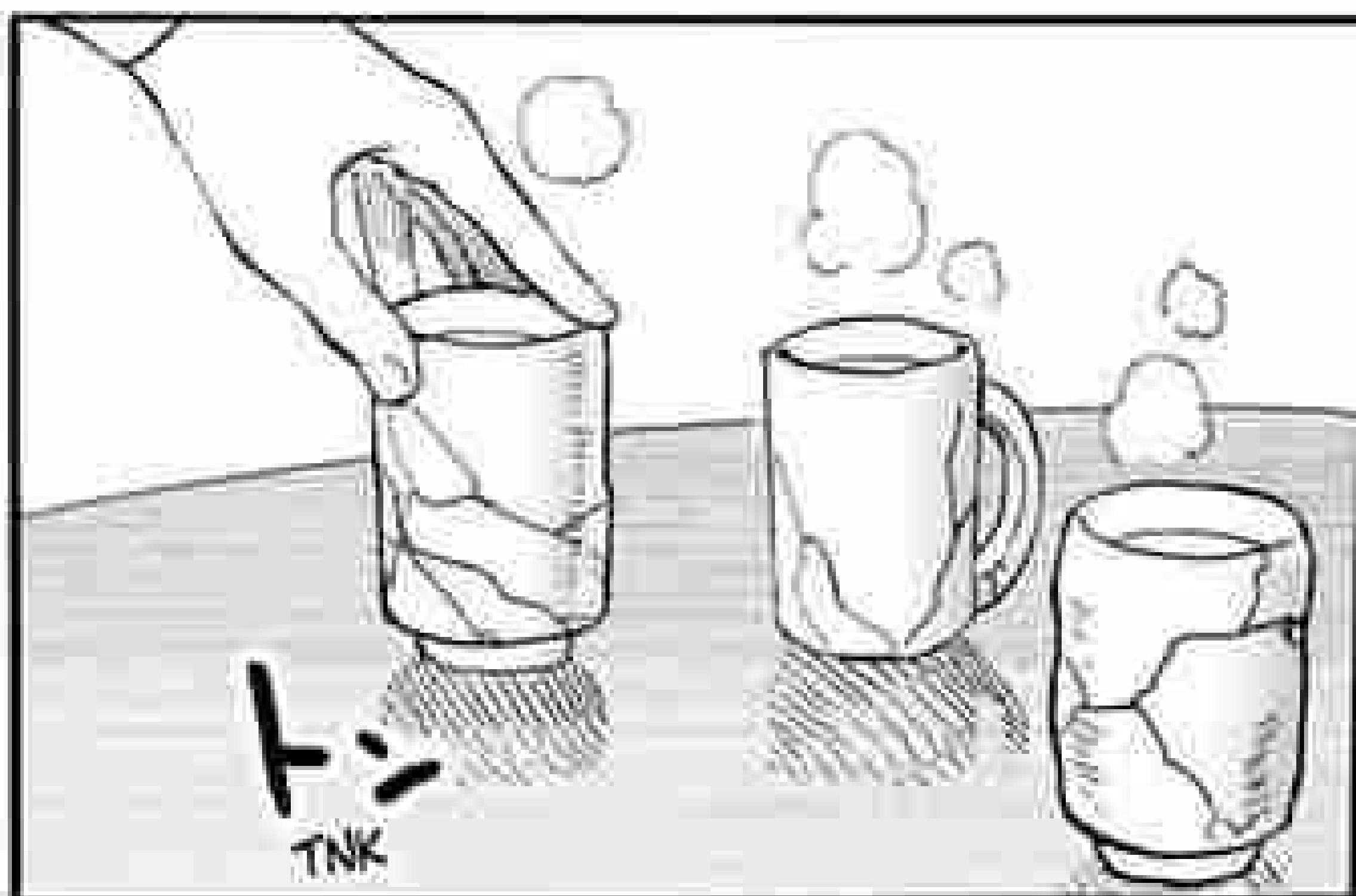
AND
YOU
DON'T
HAVE...

...THAT
SPECIAL
SOME-
THING.

NOT
LIKE *HE*
DOES.



**THE SPECIAL
SOMETHING THAT
IS OVERWHELMING
STRENGTH!!**





CHAIN TOAD

Class A, Rank 36 Hero
Room 101 resident



BUTTERFLY DX

Class A, Rank 16 Hero
Room 102 resident



FORTE

Class A, Rank 31 Hero
Room 103 resident





I'M
25.

HOW
OLD
ARE
YOU?



KIDS?

95
TWITCH



THIS
FACILITY
HAS BEEN
OPEN LESS
THAN TWO
WEEKS.

WE'VE
LIVED
HERE
LONGER.

WELL,
AGE
DOESN'T
MATTER.

OH.

HE IS
OLDER,
BUT...

24 years old



BUT YOU
NEVER
SAID HI OR
BROUGHT
OVER
SWEETS!!

TWO
WEEKS
IS TWO
WEEKS
SENIORITY!









WITH MY
WINGS, I
FLY ACROSS
ROOFTOPS!
PEOPLE
TALK ABOUT
IT! AND TAKE
VIDEOS!
AND I'VE
BEEN ON TV!

IT'S
HOW I
USUALLY
LOOK!

HOW'S
THIS?!



DON'T
SHED IN
HERE.

BESIDES,
YOU'RE
HAIRY.

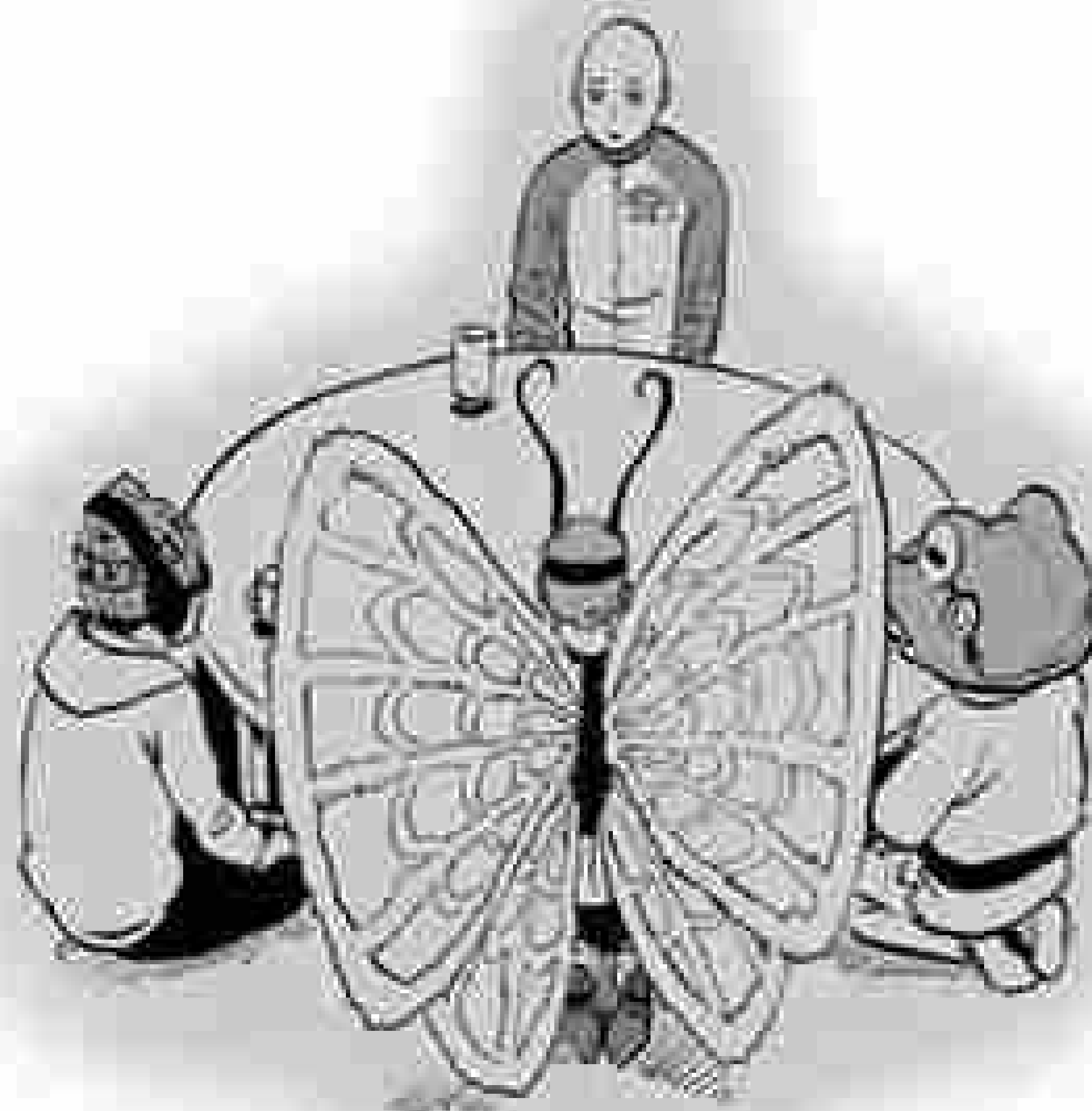


...SO
ALL I
WATCHED
WAS
WEATHER
AND
DISASTER
REPORTS.

MY OLD
PLACE ONLY
HAD PUBLIC
CHANNELS...



IS IT
REALLY
NECESSARY
TO FIGHT IN
RHYTHM?



I'LL
SHOW
YOU
WHAT I
GOT!!

LET'S
TAKE THIS
OUTSIDE,
BALDY!





To be continued!